

April 28, 1927.

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Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Barnes:

In reference to your letter of April 22, EM(G), Maps.,  
Lincoln, Geographic Names:

From the correspondence referring to Mount Rainier, I quote the following, which is all I can find respecting prevalence of Mount Lincoln, etc. You will see, however, that this is specific only for the state of Washington.

"There are two mountains or peaks, and a plateau in the state of Washington that bear the name of Lincoln. One, a prominent peak of the Black Buttes, on the southwestern slope of Mount Baker, in Whatcom County (decision rendered by the U.S. Geographic Board on May 7, 1913); Mount Lincoln, 3 miles northwest of Lake Cushman, in the Olympic National Forest, R. 5 W., T. 24 N., near the western part of Mason County (Landes Geographical Dictionary of Washington, and U. S. Forest Service map of Olympic National Forest, 1918); and Lincoln Plateau, northeast of Mount Adams, near the headwaters of Toppenish Creek, Ranges 13 and 14 E., Twp. 9 N., Yakima Indian Reservation, Yakima County, (Landes Geographical Dictionary and Mount Adams Sheet, U. S. Geological Survey.)

The Board, therefore, thought that it was inadvisable, in view of the number of mountains in the United States and especially in the state of Washington that bear the name of Lincoln" ----- .

From hasty examination of authorities, however, I send you a few more illustrations as follows: There is a Mount Lincoln,

more than 14,000 feet high, in the Park Range, Rocky Mountains, Colorado. There is a ridge, called Lincoln Mountain, in the Green Mountains of Vermont, Washington and Addison Counties, and on this ridge are Lincoln Cap, Lincoln Peak, Mount Abraham, and Nancy Hanks Peak. There is a Mount Lincoln in Hampshire County, Massachusetts, and one in the White Mountains of New Hampshire, town of Franconia, Grafton County. There are, doubtless, numerous other mountains in the United States so named. If one had time to look them up. Most every state has a Lincoln County, and there are innumerable towns, villages, post offices, etc., called Lincoln. Sierra Blanca (not Sierra Blanca Peak) is the name of a triangulation station established by the U. S. Geological Survey, in 1909, and so named because it is on the highest peak of the Sierra Blanca. On your Lincoln Forest maps it is properly so designated. However, on the Land Office map, 1912, and on the U. S. Geological Survey map, Alamo National Forest, 1914, the peak seems to be called Sierra Blanca Peak.

Very truly yours,

James McCormick,  
Secretary.

P.S. Since writing the above,  
I have found a Mt Lincoln, 8403 feet  
high in Plaza Co., Nev. It is shown on  
U.S.G.S. Topographic Sheet, No. 11 from the  
center, and S.W. from Donner Lake.

J.M.C.